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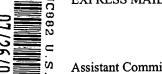
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application for inventor(s):

YOSHIKAZU NAKAYAMA and AKIO HARADA

For: LITHOGRAPHIC METHOD USING ULTRA-FINE PROBE NEEDLE

Also enclosed are:

\boxtimes	11 sheets of drawings
	Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No of on which Convention priority is claimed
\boxtimes	Declaration and Power of Attorney
	Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant
	Preliminary Amendment
\boxtimes	An assignment of the invention to YOSHIKAZU NAKAYAMA and DAIKEN CHEMICAL CO., LTD.

Applicant claims Small Entity Status

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A	TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	11	-20	0	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$9	9	0			
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D	MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$270 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$130							\$	135		
E	BASIC FEE LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$710 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$355								\$	355	
F	TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C, D, AND E)							\$	490		
G	ASSIGNMENT RECORDING FEE							\$ 40	\$	40	
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- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 11-1445. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted, KODA & ANDROLIA

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LETTER TO THE EXAMINER

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Dear Sir,

In regards to the above-identified patent application, it is respectfully submitted that two inventors signed and dated in incorrect signature and date boxes in the Declaration and Power of Attorney. In particular, the first named inventor Yoshikazu Nakayama who should have signed and dated in Inventor 1 box inadvertently signed and dated in Inventor 3 box, and the second named inventor Akio Harada who should have signed and dated in Inventor 2 box inadvertently signed and dated in Inventor 1 box.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the Patent Office take the signature and date of signature of the first named Yoshikazu Nakayama from those appearing in Inventor 3 box and take the signature and date of signature of the second named inventor Akio Harada from those appearing in Inventor 1 box.

Respectfully submitted,

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